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In re application of

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Ermanno FILIPPI

Appln. No.: 09/802,925

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Confirmation No.: 7234

Examiner: Nina Bhat

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For:

PROCESS FOR OBTAINING A HEATING FLUID AS INDIRECT HEAT SOURCE

FOR CARRYING OUT ENDOTHERMIC REACTIONS

<u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98</u>

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

- 1. U.S. Patent No. 4,681,701 issued July 21, 1987, to Sie.
- 2. JP-A 62-53396 published March 9, 1987.

One copy of JP-A 62-53396 is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after either a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), but before payment of the Issue Fee, and therefore Applicant is

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authorizing the U.S. PTO to charge the Statutory fee of \$180.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to

Deposit Account No. 19-4880, and a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is being filed

concurrently herewith.

It is pointed out that both JP-A 62-53396 and U.S. Patent No. 4,681,701 correspond to EP

0212755 which was previously submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office with an

Information Disclosure Statement on March 12, 2001, and has been considered by the Examiner

as evidenced by the PTO/SB/08 A & B signed and dated September 26, 2004. As both the

European Patent and the U.S. Patent are in the English language, it is believed that no concise

explanation for JP-A 62-53396 is required.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such

document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not

waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any

listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

Respectfully submitted,

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Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any

overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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Sir:

The undersigned hereby states, upon information and belief:

That each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of said Information Disclosure Statement.

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